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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

- 1-20. (canceled)
- 21. (previously presented): A substantially pure or isolated polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.
  - 22. (canceled)
- 23. (previously presented): A composition comprising the polypeptide of Claim 21 and a suitable carrier.
- 24. (previously presented): The composition of Claim 23, wherein the carrier is an aqueous compound.
- 25. (previously presented): The composition of Claim 24, wherein the aqueous compound selected from the group consisting of: water, saline, and a buffer solution.
- 26. (previously presented): The polypeptide of Claim 21, wherein the polypeptide is fused to a detection or purification tag.
- 27. (previously presented): The polypeptide of Claim 26, wherein the detection or purification tag is selected from the group consisting of: FLAG, His6, or Ig sequence.
  - 28. (previously presented): A kit comprising the polypeptide of Claim 21 and:
  - a) a compartment comprising the polypeptide; and
  - b) instructions for use or disposal of the kit.
- 29. (previously presented): The polypeptide of Claim 21, wherein the polypeptide is recombinantly produced.

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